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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Lee A. Core Confirmation No.: 2513  
Application No.: 10/693,398 Art Unit: 3734  
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Title: EXPANDABLE SHEATH TUBING

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated May 28, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows. A Petition of Extension of Time, extending the due date for response to September 28, 2008, is being concurrently filed herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.